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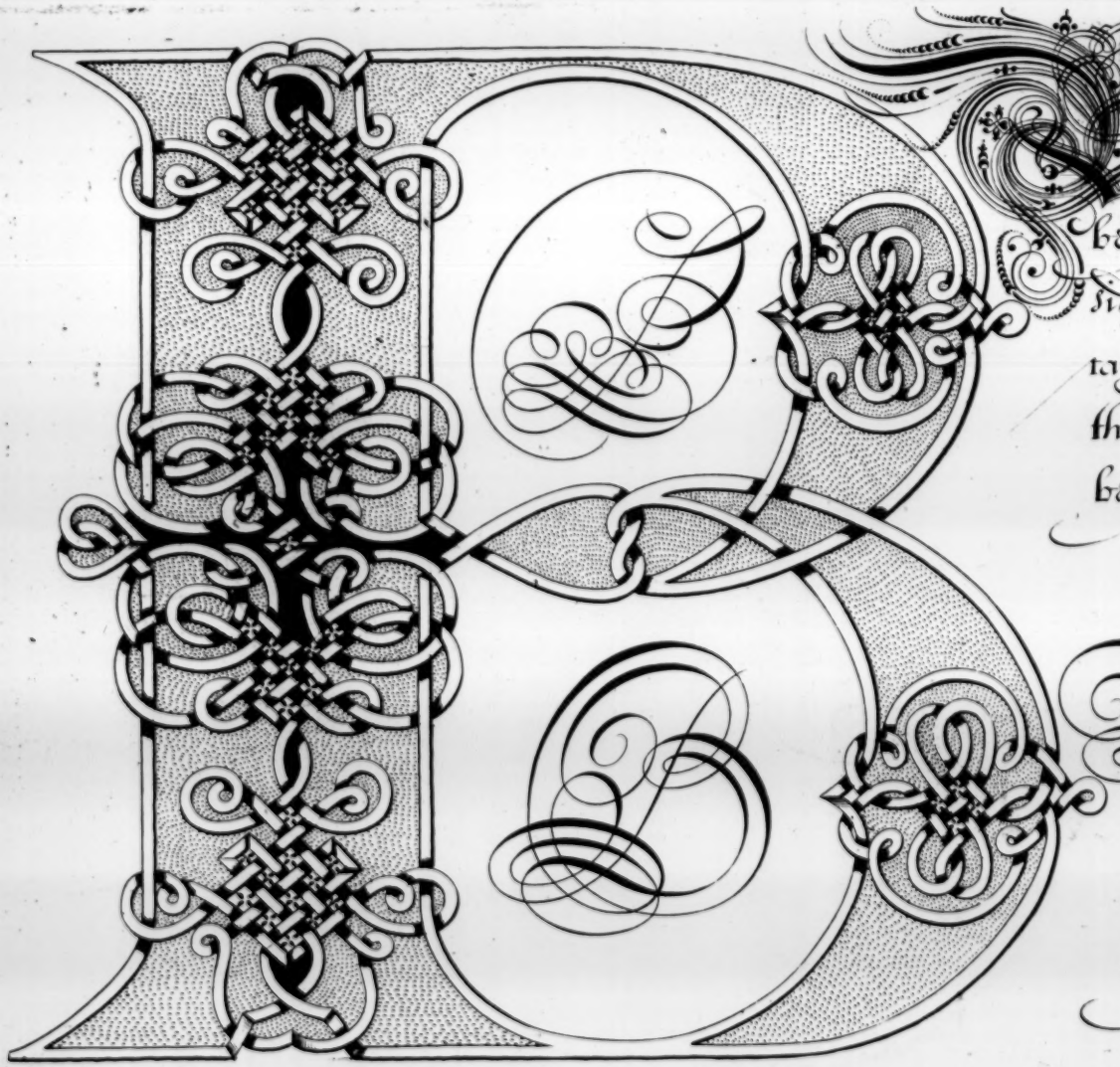

egin not any thing before good Advisement and maturd' consideration but when thou hast on'e begun be' sure still speedily to dispatch it; and remember that small faults if not timely prevented in y' beginning will prove great errors in the end

Bee it knowne unto all men by these presents that I Daniel Mainwaring of Limmington in the County of Somerset Yeoman am holden and firmly bound unto Nathanael Hammonds Citizen and Ironmonger of London in y' Sum' of One Thousand Six hundred ninety four pounds

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Consider
the shortness of Life;
and the certainty of judg-
ment; the great reward of
the good, and severe punish-
ment of the wicked: there-
fore make even with Hea-
ven by repentance at the
end of every day; and so
you shall have but one
day to repent of before ye death

a a m b m b m t m e n d m d m e m f m f n g m h m i m k m l m l l m m
o m p m p m q m r m z m s m t n t m m b m n m v m x m y m y z

A B C D E ff G H I J K L M M.
N N O P Q R S T V W X Y Z

Converse only with such Persons by whome you may best attomplish your Selfe for Vertue never returned with so rich a Cargo as when it sett saild from such Corrupted Company being like Severall Climates which oftentimes changes young Travellers complexi-
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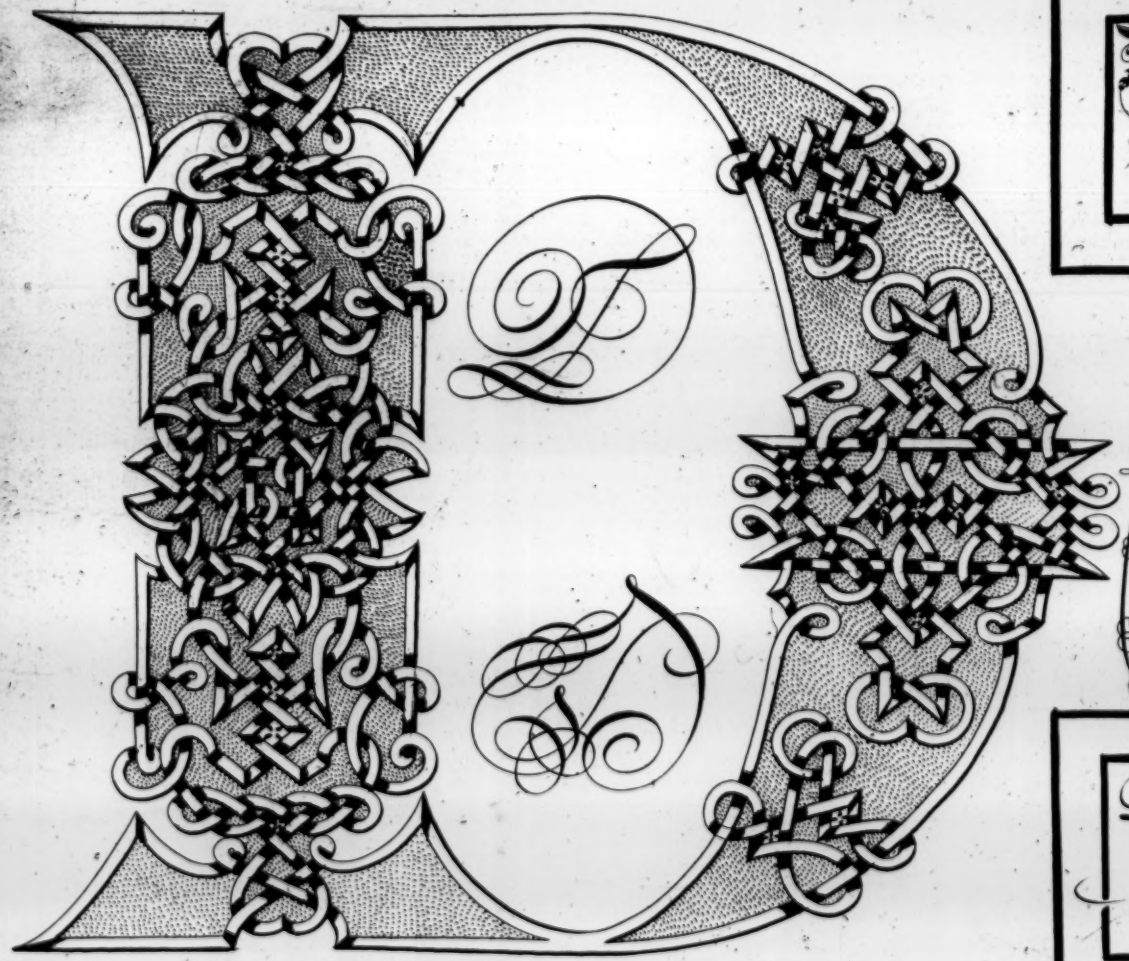

Deus est Splendor nunquam deficiens Vita indefessa non moriens, sons semper staturiens seminale vita, seminarium sapientia, principale principium, initiale Bonitatis initium.

Dissimulation is an euill humour of the Mind contrary to all honestie and humanitie it is a countenance euermore disagreeing from the imagination of ye heart and a most notorious lyer in whatsoeuer it propounds.

Diligence alone is a commendable qualification, and sudurably a substantiall durable fortune: Idlenesse is the spawne of Lust, and waste a man as insensibly as Diligence doth improue him.

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auf Kieslingswalde, Stammherr auf Buchholz,
Creutzburg und Ehrenhausen, Erbherr auf Glatzen,
Ullersdorff, Ober- und Nieder-Leschwitz,
Ober- und Nieder-Ludwigsdorff, Ober- und Nieder-Mittel-
wald, Ober- und Nieder-Reichenau, Ober- und Nieder-
Seifersdorff, Ober- und Nieder-Steinkirch, Ober- und
Nieder-Thiemendorff, Ober- und Nieder-Wiesa,
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und Churfürstlich-Sächsischen Militair-Ordens,
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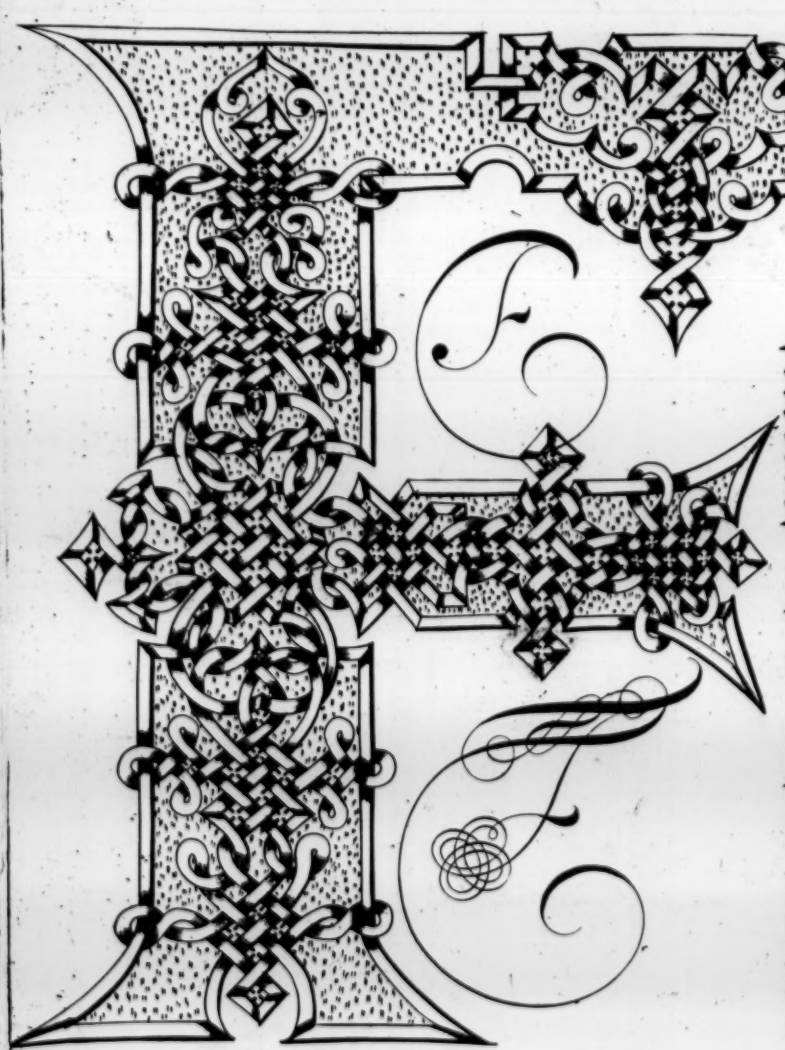

Friendship iõ a sacred thing and deserveõ our dearest acknowledgmentõ: a ffriend iõ a great tomfort in solitude, and a most excellent Assistant in buisnesõ.

Favorinus interrogatus qua ratione potissimum quis assequi posset ut apud homines honestam haberet ffamam? Si loquatur inquit quae sint Optima et faciat quae sunt honestissima Quid dim poterat brevius ac cursus aut quid absolutius Si quidem sutis parta gloria.

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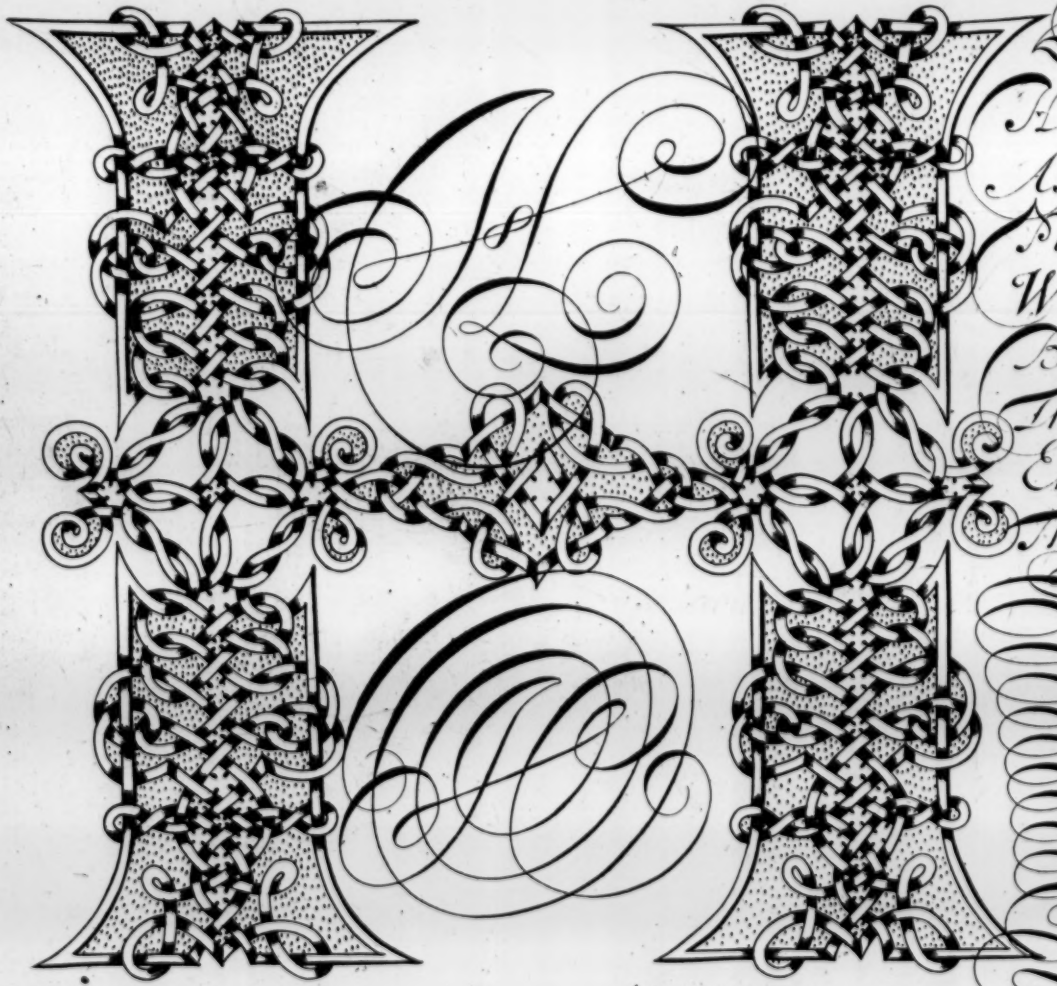
God makes the Pen his Herauld to proclaime
The splendid Glories of his Workes and Fame
Heavens Sacred Oracles the life of Mens
Immortall Souls by the conserve of Pens
Haue bin from old Times infancy kept pure
And shall to round Eternity endure.



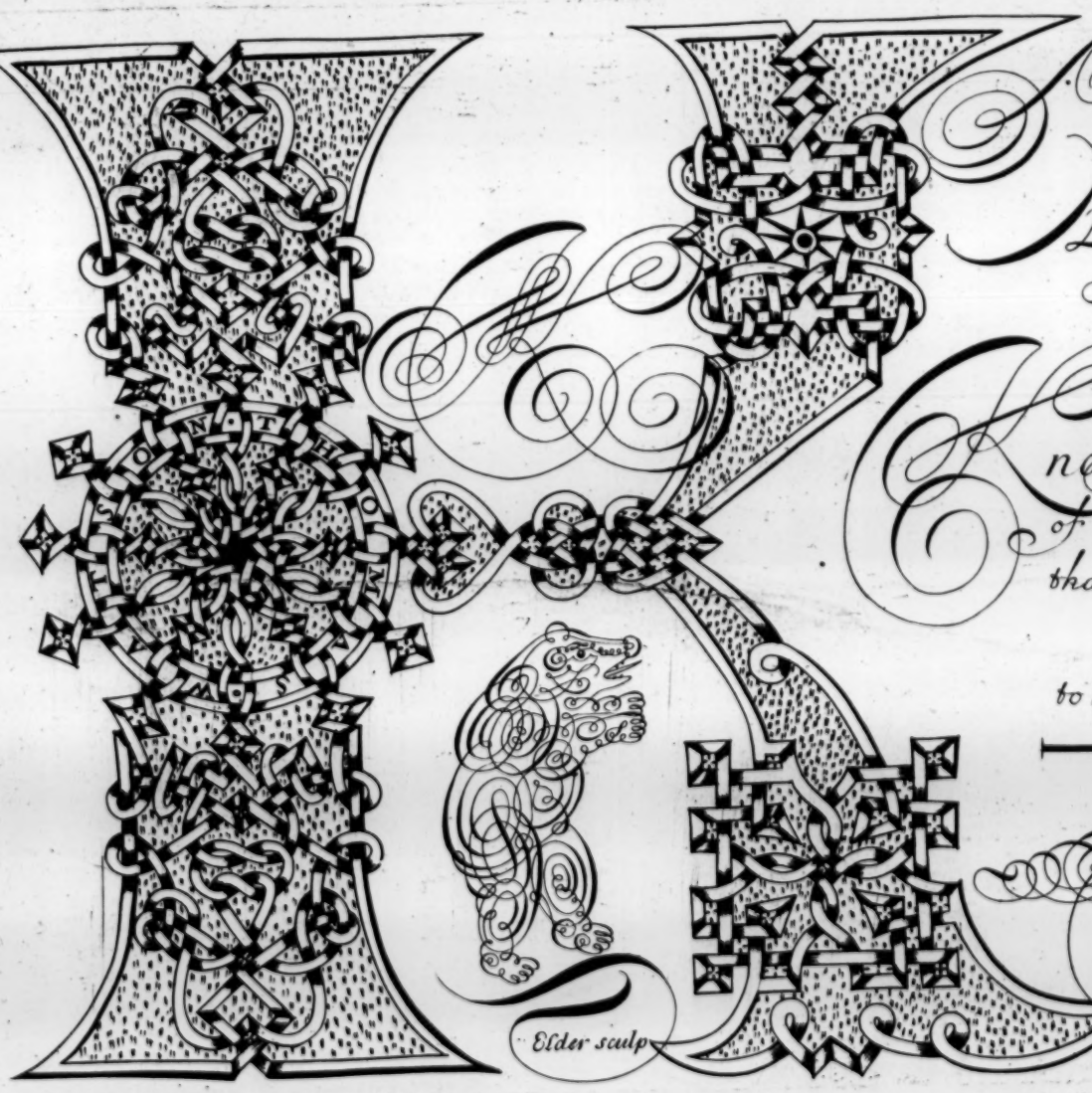
Honours may leave their Owners Riches may
Assume Invift wings and quickly fly away
Pleasure like Lightning but Salutes our Eyes
With one bright Flash and then falls Sick & dyes
But Learning and the Knowledge of rare Arts
That Man the most enjoyes that most imparts
Endeavour therefore that your Breast & Brain
The best of Learnings Treasures may retain

Humilitie is a
voluntary inclination of the Mind groun
ded upon a perfect Knowledge of our own
Condition A vertue by which a Man in
the most true consideration of his inward
Qualities maketh least Account
of Himself

In times of Prosperity Friends they are plenty
But in Adversity not One among Twenty

It is a memorable passage of Queen Elizabeth whome Bishop Gardiner in her Sisters Reigne designed to put to death being asked the meaning of these words This is my Body whether She thought that was Christs body or no after a little pauze is reported to haue returned this Answer

Christ was the Word that spake it
He tooke the Bread and brake it
And what the Word did make it
That I beleiue and take it



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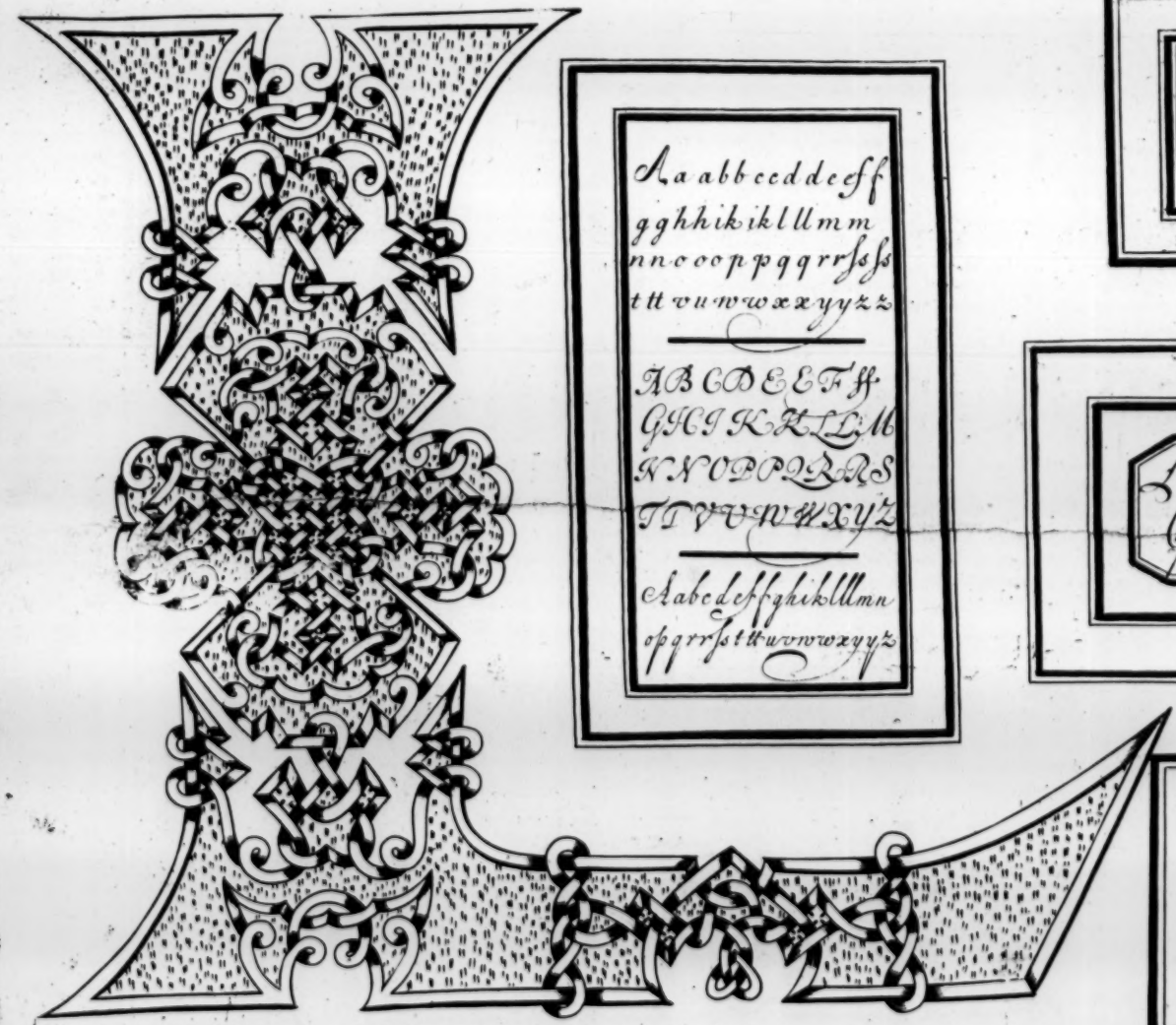
Knowledge and Learning was esteemed
of so much vallue by Alexander the great
that he ' ' himselfe to be more indebted
in a him Learning then
to his Father.

Knowledge imploy'd improves the ingenious mind
And Learnings beames illuminate the blind



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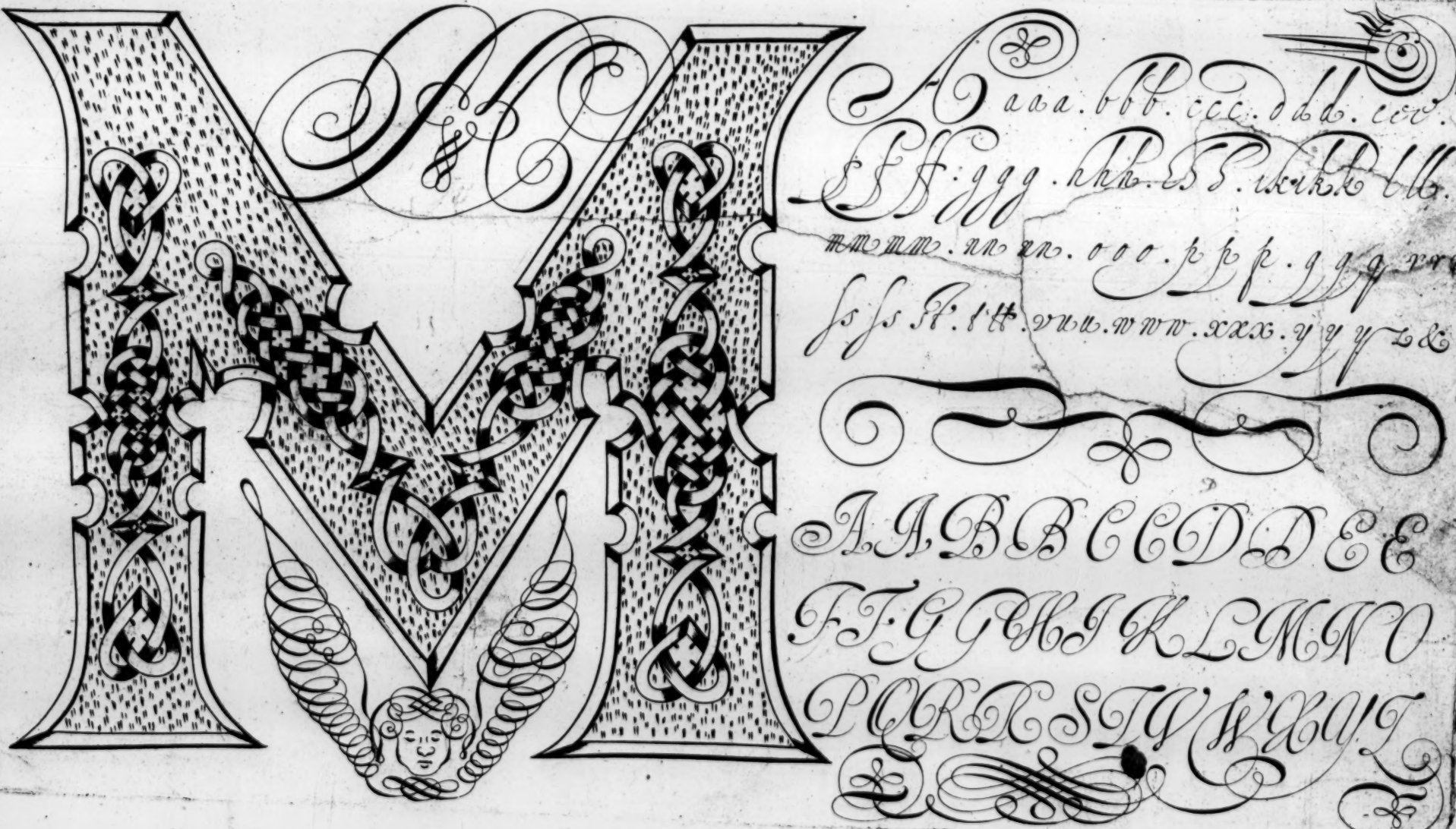
Let it be your Ambition to be wise and your Wisdome to be good. Reject Opinion and You are like a Ship rideing at Anchor in a safe Harbour

Learning is the temperance of Youth and the comfort of old Age Standing for Wealth to Men in poverty and Serving for an Ornament to Riches

Luxuria, est immoderata Carnis Petulantia dulce Venenum, importuna Lues pernitiosa potio quæ humanum Corpus debilitat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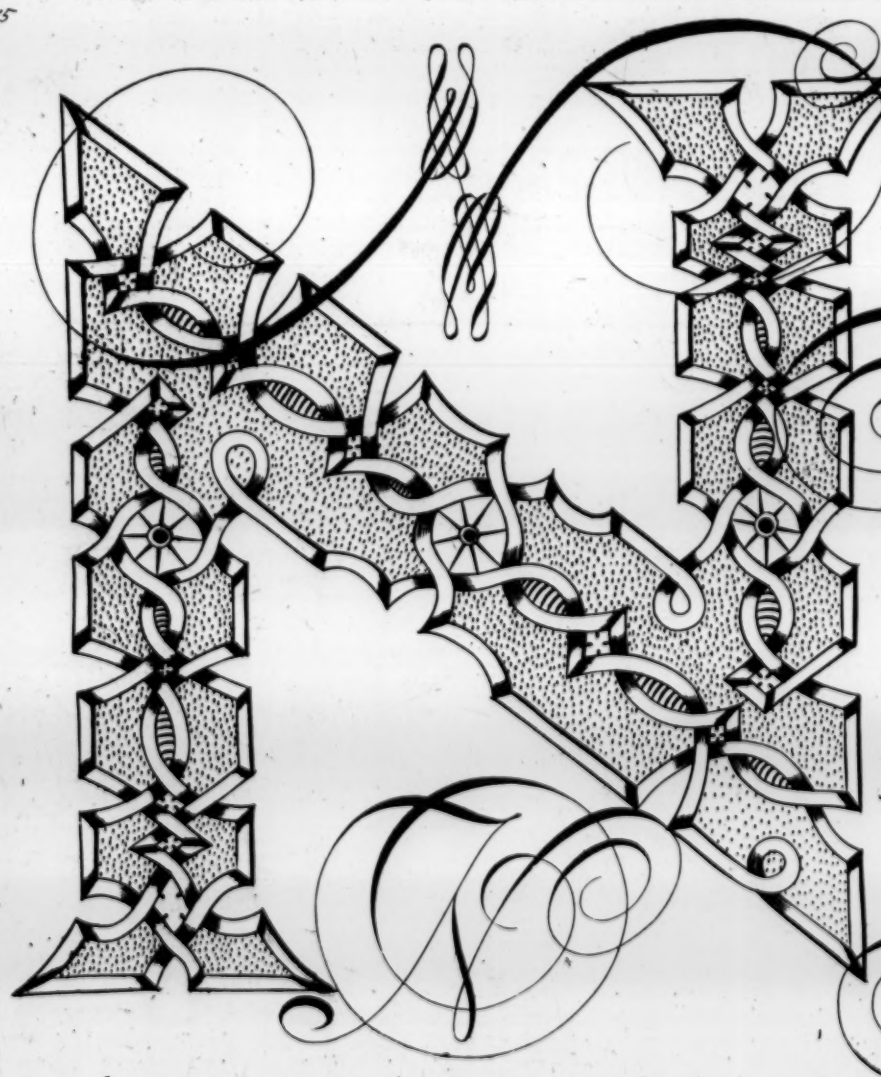


Ye flanting Praise nor flow'd Encomiums prize
To most deserving are most humbly wize

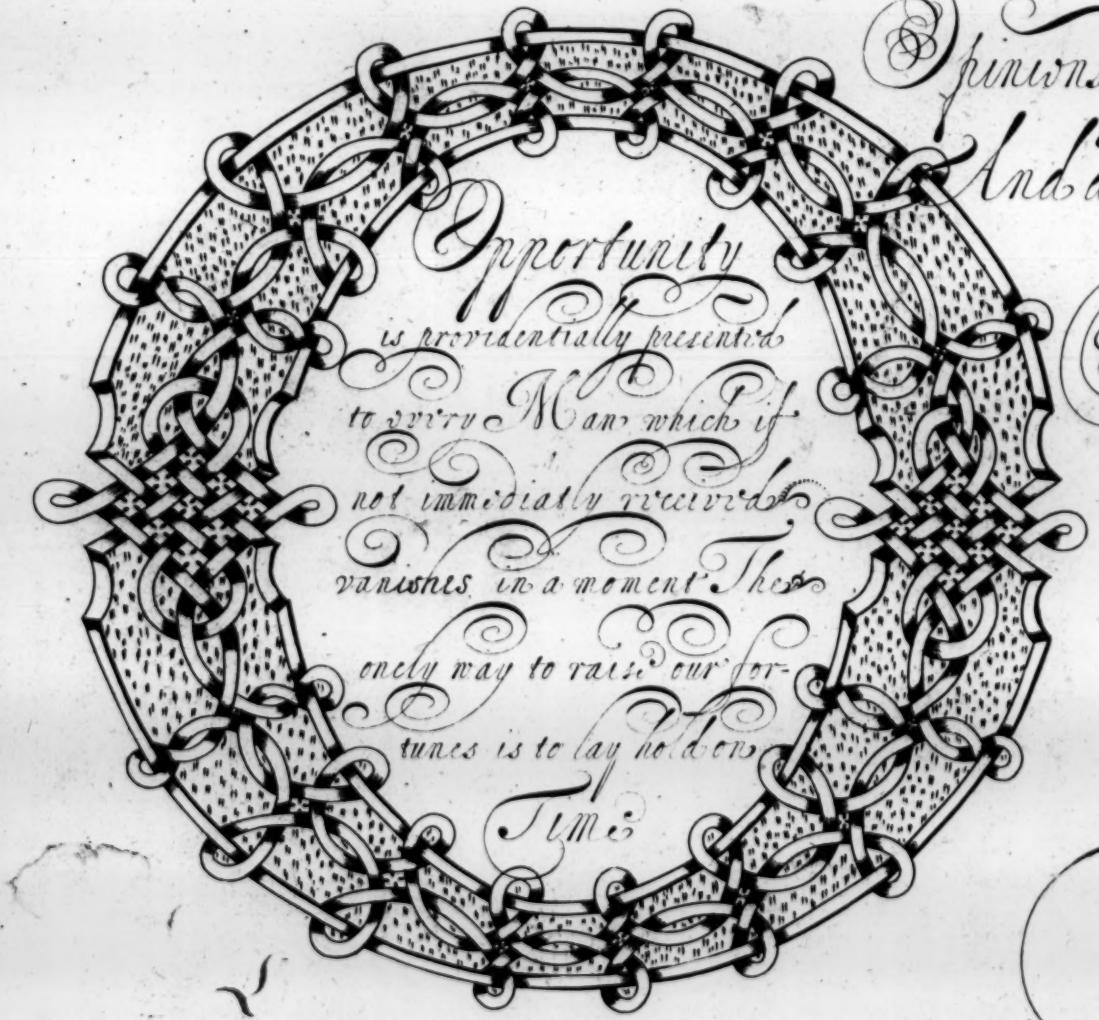
I'll undertake any base or
unwarrantable Action. Hate nothing but
what's dishonest. Feare nothing but what
is sordid or ignoble. And love nothing but
what is very just and honourable.

Now bend your mind fair Writing to attain
Your present pains will prove your future gain

Opinions guide our passions & affections
And all our fancies follow her directions

Observe those Rules & measures
whereby you may best preserve your
Reputation if that be once lost
you are like a Cancelled Writing
of no use nor vallue

Thy Credit wary keep, 'tis mickly gone
Being gott by many actions lost by one



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Poverty
is for the most part but
a creature of the Phansie
being Imagined and Feared
where it really is not. For he
is not poorest that posses-
-seth least but he that
wanteth most.

Quiet the troubles of thy mind,
Disturb'd by crosses, doubts, & fears
With thoughts of heaven nv. ch. thou shalt find
Will pay for all thy sighs and teares
'Tis but a while & suffering saints shal be
With glory crovvn'd to all Eternity.

Reckon your Age from
the birth of your Vertue
He that lives viciously
may write beast but not
Man
W. Elder sculpsit
Religion is the stay of the Weake, the
Master of the Ignorant, the Philosophy of the
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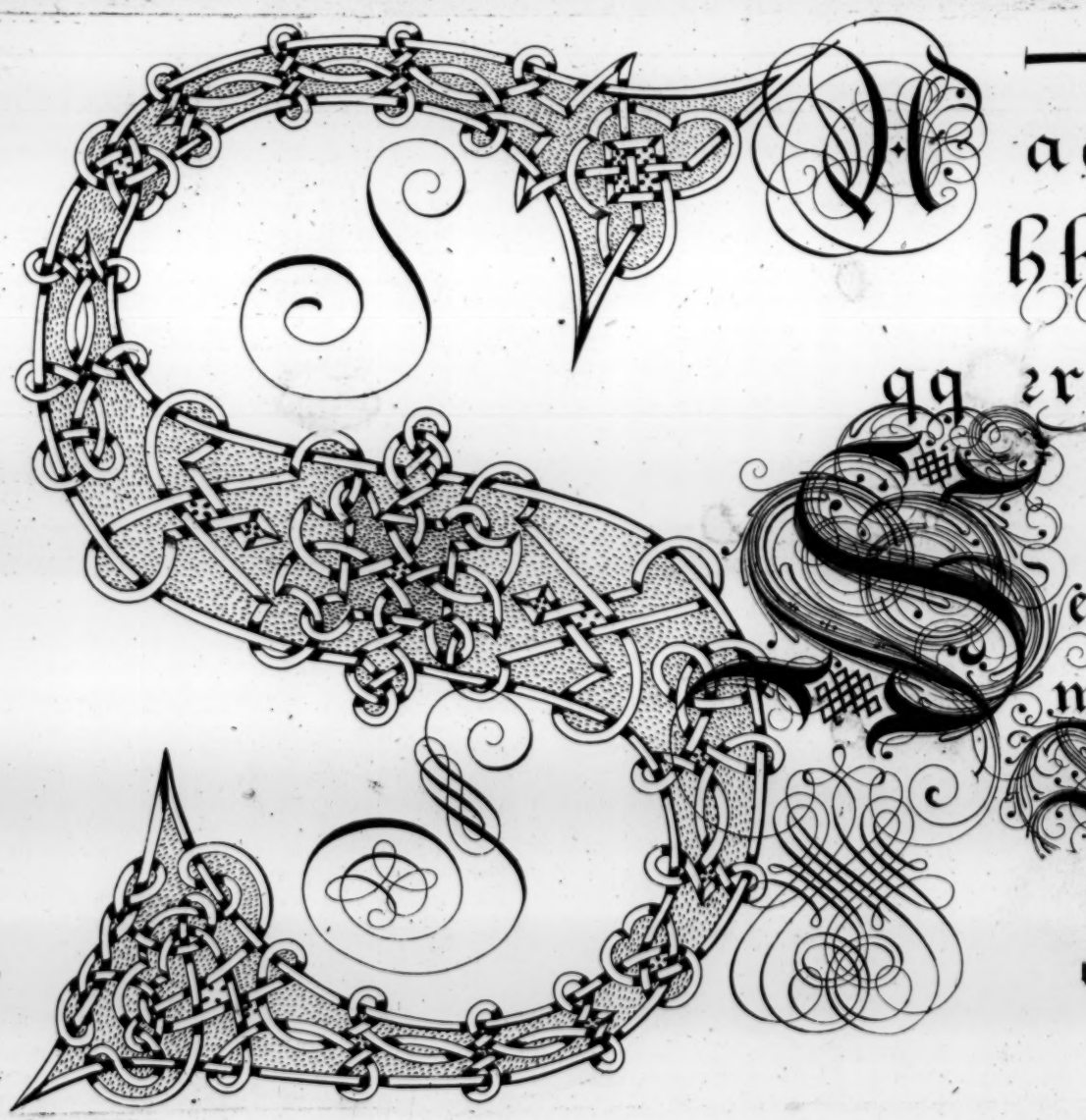

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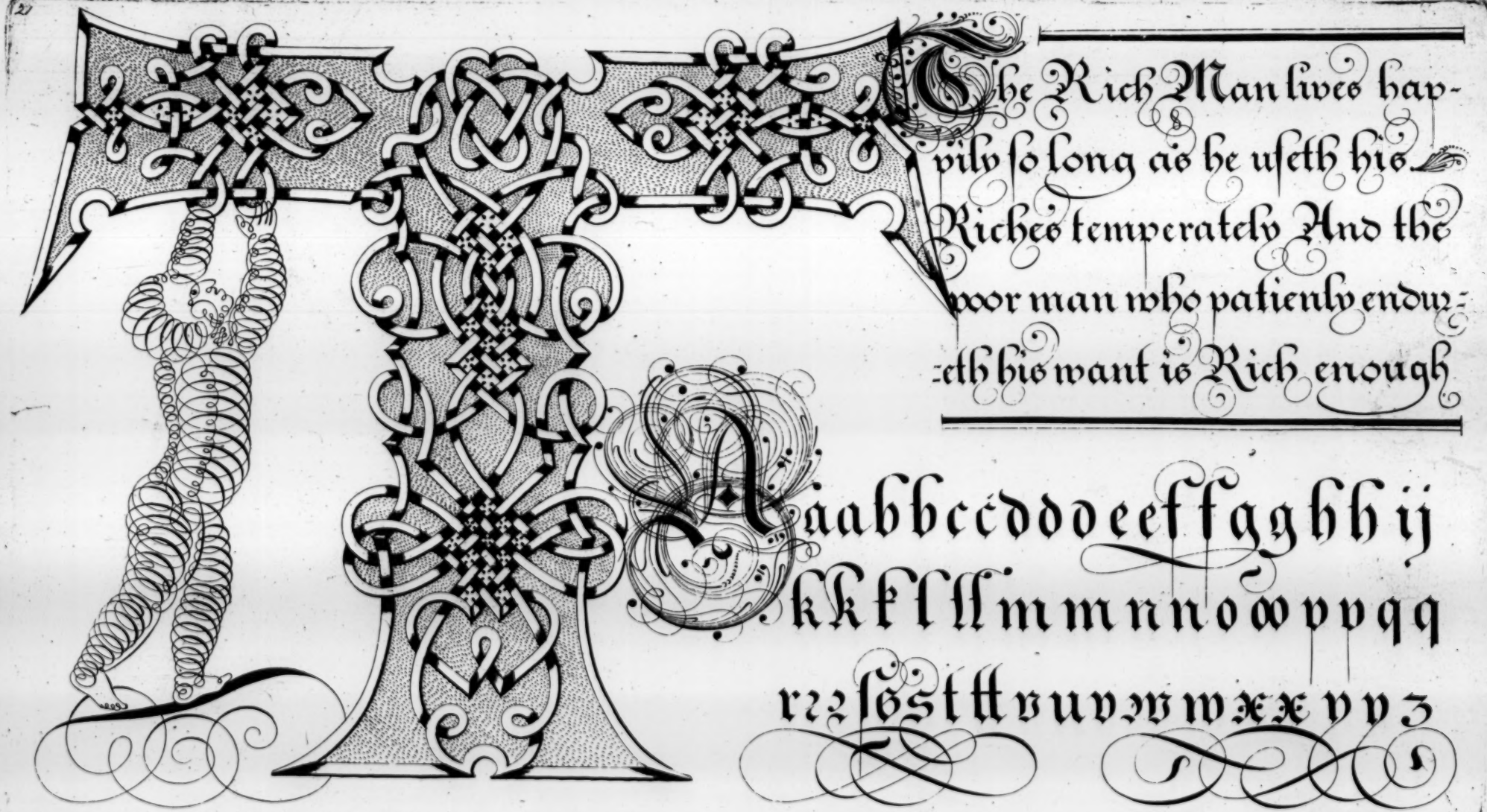
Serve God and keep his Co-
mandements for that is the true
Wisdome which will at last
crowne your Endeavoures
with Eternall Happines



The Rich Man lives happily so long as he useth his Riches temperately And the poor man who patiently endureth his want is Rich enough

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Vertue is ye queen
of labourers opinion
the mistress of fools and
contention the overthrow
of families
Carolus Secundus Dei Gratia Angliæ Scotiæ
Franciæ et Hiberniæ Rex Fidei Defensor &c
Elder Isculp

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& Minusculum.

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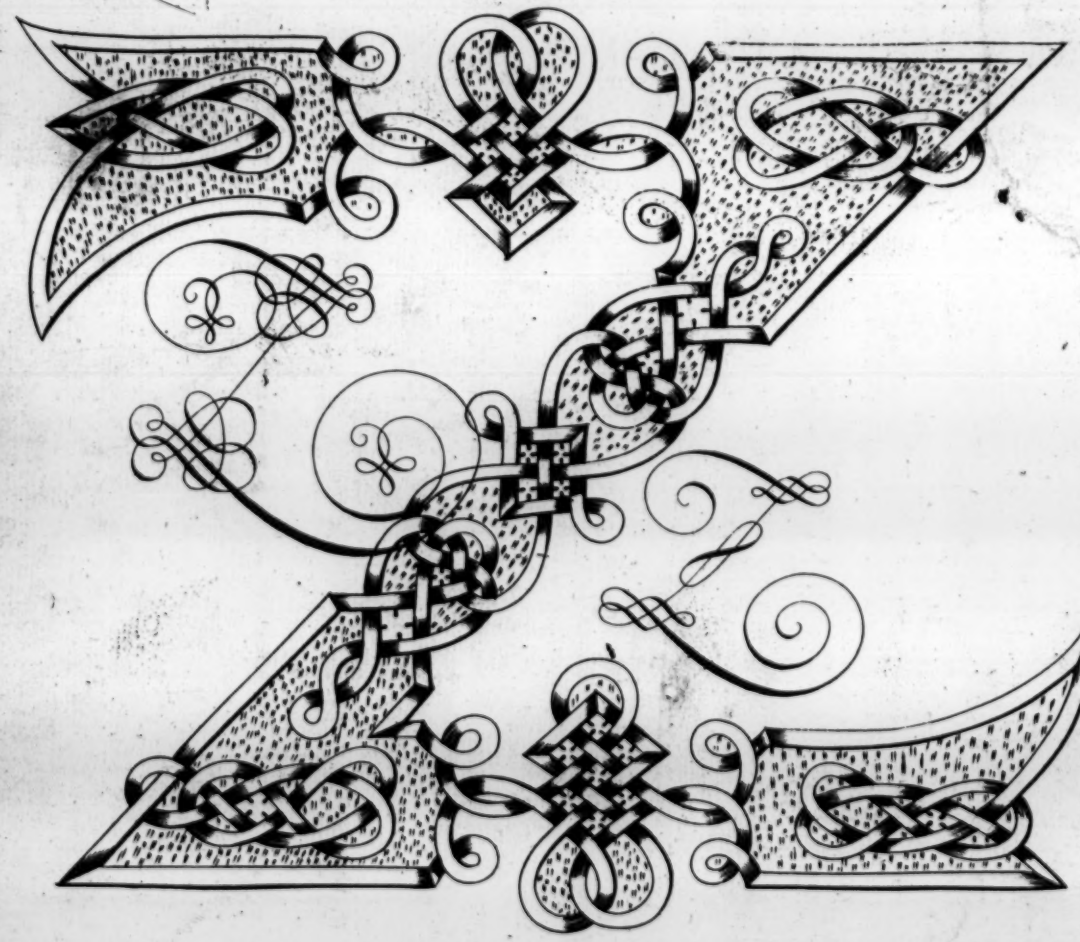

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ex gratia nra ac ex certa scientia et
mero motu dedimus et tonc̃essimus